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Application Ref: **2012/0580/T**  
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09 March 2012

Dear Sir/Madam

### DECISION

Town and Country Planning Acts 1990 (as amended)  
**OBJECTION TO SECTION 211 NOTICE OF WORKS TO TREE/S IN A  
CONSERVATION AREA**

Address:  
**210 Camden Road  
LONDON  
NW1 9HG**

Description:  
REAR GARDEN: 1 x Pear - Fell to ground level.

The Council has considered your notification of intended works to trees dated 27 January 2012 and decided to **OBJECT** for the following reasons:

Reasons for objection:

- 1 The tree is considered to provide a decent level of visual amenity and to make a positive contribution to the character of this part of the conservation area. It is considered the evidence is insufficient to demonstrate the Pear to be implicated in damage for the following reasons:
  1. It is not conclusive that any roots have emanated from the Pear (there is a Firethorn within closer proximity). DNA testing should be carried out.
  2. The damage occurred recently, however the root analysis identifies any roots as being dead and therefore are an unlikely influence as dead roots do not extract moisture from soil. The pear has also been present at its current size for a number of years without having any affect on the house.

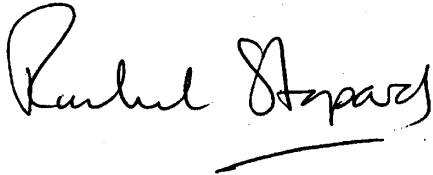


3. There is no crack or level monitoring to demonstrate seasonal movement in relation to the moisture demand of the tree, despite the report recommending monitoring is undertaken
4. Soil analysis does not conclusively demonstrate desiccated soils
5. The report identified damage as slight and therefore only minor cosmetic repairs are required.

The Council objects to the removal of the Pear on the grounds of insufficient evidence which fails to justify the removal of the tree. A Tree Preservation Order has been served on the tree to protect the visual amenity it provides and to preserve the character of this part of the conservation area.

**A Tree Preservation Order has been served on the tree/s and no work should be carried out without the prior consent of the Council.**

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Rachel Stopard', with a horizontal line underneath.

Rachel Stopard  
Director of Culture & Environment